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C. P. R. Operator Found Not Guilty

Counsel Pleads Lord's Day Act in Defence

The C.P.R. operator, Mullen, who was charged with manslaughter and tried before the Chief Justice and a jury at Macleod on Monday and Tuesday last, was acquitted. The evidence showed that on Sunday, the 22nd of April, an entire freight train was sent out from Frank at 4:45 a.m. (engine 1430), with orders to meet a westbound extra freight, (engine 1443) at Brockett, a small station nine miles east of Frank. The headlight of engine 1430 was so badly out of order the glass being shattered, that a special order had been issued by the train dispatcher at Cranbrook to permit it to pass from Crow's Nest to Frank without a headlight. At Frank the engine pulled an ordinary lantern in the headlight box and set out on the fatal run without any further precaution. He passed Brockett at 5:35 having run the 25 miles in about fifty minutes and continued on towards Brockett at a speed apparently of over 35 miles an hour. In the meantime the train-dispatcher at Cranbrook, who had been notified at 5:25 that the train had passed Brockett, seven miles west of Picher, called up Operator Mullen at Picher and asked to get him until 5:45 when he asked "Is S.D. coming?" This, the dispatcher said, meant "Is an east-bound train coming?" but it was conclusively shown that the only use of "S.D." provided for in the company regulations was to mean "signal displayed," and it was 1430 was meant it should have been described as "Down extra 1430." How this train had passed unknown to the operator did not appear though it was suggested that he might have been overpowered by sleep or shown in the getting out of it as it was a very stormy night. In any event, in reply to the query, "Is S.D. coming?" Sunday, 22nd, it is understood that he said "No." This was really what the charge had been several times repeated, charged as criminal negligence, causing the collision, etc.

Haultain Concerns School Book Deal

Regina, May 13.—In the legislative assembly yesterday, Hon. P. W. G. Haultain made good his charge that the school book contract entered into by the minister of education was a most improvident and profligate one, and in a two and a half hour speech he completely showed up the way in which the province was tied for years to pay tribute to Morang & Co., and to the college friend of the Minister of Education Mr. Saul. A great sensation was arising when Mr. Haultain stated that not only was the contract improper, profligate and improvident, but it was also an unpatriotic one. It transpired that the contract is not being carried out by Morang & Co., but is being relied to the American Book Company, which the leader of the opposition said, was the most corrupt corporation in the United States, and one which had been associated with all sorts of frauds in connection with text books in towns and cities of the United States. Mr. Haultain denied the statement frequently made in government papers that he was withdrawing any charge made, and said, on the contrary, he was prepared to stand by every word he had uttered, and more he charged that the contract was profligate because Morang & Co. had not sent in any tenders whatever. They had submitted samples of books, but had not quoted prices, and Mr. Saul, the minister's college chum, had openly boasted that they were going to get the contract anyway.

Opposition is Doing Its Duty

Ottawa, May 14.—In the House the Hon. Mr. Foster brought up the day in the marine enquiry and said that the commission was limited in power and a vigorous prosecution of the enquiry was impossible from the fact that Judge Cassel's time was most fully occupied by Executive court duties. The Government was aware that the Judge could only carry on the work in odd hours, yet Judge Cassel was appointed. So far only three days were covered and the witnesses examined. He quoted from the Judge's statement to show that the enquiry would last for months and in the meantime a charge of incompetency was hanging over the heads of honest men in the department. A thorough and speedy investigation was needed. He had already indicated that the late Jas. Sutherland was a member of the government and of a company that sold arms to the government. This connection he intended to exploit in connection with another company in his doing business with the government which company a present member of the cabinet is a member. The premier ought to be out of order to discuss matters under the consideration of a committee of the House; also to refer to evidence given before a commission of enquiry appointed by the government. The company in which Jas. Sutherland was interested was altogether separate from the one with which the government had dealings. The point as to the delay in the marine enquiry was well taken. In order to expedite the court business, the Judge had recommended that Registrar Adair be given the powers of deputy judge and that a bill to that effect be put on the order sheet. But owing to the construction of the Opposition it had not been dealt with. The government made repeated efforts to get supply till the election fell through, and therefore the Opposition was to blame. Borden declared the bill to amend the exchequer court act was on the order sheet four weeks before the Judge made the suggestion, the bill only making provision for a deputy judge in case of illness or when the Judge had leave of absence. He had been twelve years in parliament but this was the first time he had seen it within the power of the opposition to say when a government measure should receive consideration. The premier's speech attempts to excuse delay. All the government needed was to introduce the measure and point out urgency and it would be passed in an hour.

Church Robber Was Clubbed to Death

Central, Belgium, May 14.—Practically the whole population of village of Bellegangh a short distance from Central, armed with clubs and stones set out on and killed a man who was caught in the act of burglarizing the famous church of the Virgin yesterday. The villagers had been highly incensed at previous church robberies notably that of the church of Notre Dame in this city last December when Vandaele's masterpiece, "The Elevation of the Cross," was stolen. Several of those implicated in the killing were arrested. A doctor who made an examination of the body found twenty knife wounds.

VANISHED.

Victoria, May 14.—News has been received from Claydon that two white men, Harvey and Horace Walters, brothers, have disappeared on the west coast. They went upon the steamer Teco from here about five weeks ago, getting off at Nootka to go up the Tahassia river. Indiana news report that for a month or so west and outfit had been lying at the mouth of that river, with no sign of the men anywhere.

Finlay Bridge Formally Opened

Medicine Hat, Alta., May 14.—A civic holiday was proclaimed in Medicine Hat today in connection with the formal opening of the traffic bridge erected across the Saskatchewan by the Alberta government. Several thousand people were assembled to witness the function. Premier Rutherford was introduced by Mayor Cousins and parted the ribbons which closed the approach. He afterwards spoke briefly and was followed by Minister of Public Works Cushing and Minister of Agriculture Finlay. The bridge is the largest in Alberta being 900 feet long and 26 feet wide. It was christened Finlay bridge by the Premier.

Liner in Collision

Montreal, May 14.—One of the crew was fatally injured while asleep and four others were badly wounded on board the Dominion liner Ottawa in her collision with the Thorold last Sunday night. These startling details were received to-night after the Ottawa had slowly steamed into harbor. Five men sleeping in the hold right in the vessel's bow, were with on a moment's warning buried in steel plates. Probably there was no awakening to learn his fate for John Taylor, the second baker was found with a massive steel plate twisted around his chest. He was severely mangled and died without regaining consciousness.

Football To-night

This evening at the Exhibition grounds here the Edmonton Y. M. C. A. and the Strathcona Trinity meet for the first time this season. The local lads have not yet won again but intend to buck the hoodoo by coming out on top to-night. The ground will be in a rather heavy condition and this should favor Trinity as the Y.M.C.A.'s are a light team and play their best game on a fast field. The Trinity team will be composed of the following:—Goal—Kendy; Backs—Campbell and Eaton; Halves—Smith, Holloway, and Hardy; Forwards—Laidlaw, McGee, Milne, Grierson, and Morton.

INTER-CITY FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

	W	L	D	For	Ag	Pts
Strathcona city	4	0	0	8	2	8
St. Pauls	2	0	1	8	2	5
Edmonton	2	1	0	6	1	4
Y. M. C. A.	0	1	3	4	1	1
All Saints	0	3	0	1	0	0
Santa Trinity	0	3	0	0	10	0

SOME ONTARIO NOMINATIONS.

Toronto, May 14.—The following nominations took place in Ontario yesterday: Toronto, South, seat A. J. J. Foy, Conservative; seat B. G. H. Gooderham, Conservative; Toronto North, seat A. B. C. McNaught, Conservative; seat B. W. Lambton—Robert L. Towse, Liberal. Brockville—W. S. Buell, Liberal. Centre Huron—W. Proudfoot, Liberal. West Hastings—W. J. Johnson, Conservative.

Strathcona Public Schools

F. W. R. STREET EAST			
Stand.	Enrolment	Av. Attend.	Progress
I. A. <td>61</td> <td>38.70</td> <td>63.44</td>	61	38.70	63.44
I. B. <td>35</td> <td>27.70</td> <td>29.14</td>	35	27.70	29.14
I. C. <td>40</td> <td>32.85</td> <td>32.12</td>	40	32.85	32.12
II. <td>36</td> <td>28.40</td> <td>28.89</td>	36	28.40	28.89
III. <td>47</td> <td>30.00</td> <td>30.00</td>	47	30.00	30.00
V. <td>25</td> <td>22.07</td> <td>22.07</td>	25	22.07	22.07
SECOND STREET WEST			
I. A. <td>51</td> <td>37.50</td> <td>37.50</td>	51	37.50	37.50
I. B. <td>40</td> <td>36.10</td> <td>36.10</td>	40	36.10	36.10
I. C. <td>45</td> <td>37.28</td> <td>37.28</td>	45	37.28	37.28
II. <td>47</td> <td>32.30</td> <td>32.30</td>	47	32.30	32.30
III. <td>41</td> <td>33.80</td> <td>33.80</td>	41	33.80	33.80
IV. <td>48</td> <td>35.44</td> <td>35.44</td>	48	35.44	35.44
V. <td>39</td> <td>27.94</td> <td>27.94</td>	39	27.94	27.94
HIGH SCHOOL			
VI-VIII. <td>61</td> <td>53.50</td> <td>53.50</td>	61	53.50	53.50
HONOR ROLL			
Fourth Street East.			
Attendance.			
Standard I. A.—Gustave Orville, Lily McMenomy, Viola Powers, Bertha Jones, Lena Fenski, Sadie Boyd, Mary Smith, Austin Chapman, Christian Werner, Robert Werner, Martha Smith.			
Progress in studies.			
Oliver Wingrove, Mary Smith, Alphe Wingrove, Gustav Orville, Bertha Jones, Albert Werner, Christian Werner, Arnold Kolengren, Emily Patterson, Robert Werner.			
Attendance.			
Standard I. B.—George Kelly, Colin Fraser, Harry Warren, Horace Warren, Thomas Sheppard, Alfred MacLean, Herbert Connor, Herman Riske, Robbie McIntyre, Zetta Hastie.			
Progress in studies.			
Horace Warren, Harry Warren, Arthur Chapman, Zetta Hastie, Thomas Sheppard, Alfred MacLean, Herman Riske, Watson Fowler, Dora Nettles, Herbert Connor, Sydney Watson, Robert McIntyre.			
Attendance.			
Standard I. C.—Sam Ramsay, Louis Clark, Percy Hardy, Gerrie McMenomy, Edward Orville, Lydia Fenski, Sadie Marsh, Marshall Hough, Harold Miller, Lizzie Rucius, Nina Carscadden, Ben Miller, Genet Howatson, Annie Young, Wesley McMenomy.			
Progress in studies.			
Sadie Marsh, Gerrie McMenomy, Lily Webb, Helen Connor, Nina Carscadden, Lydia Fenski, Marshall Hough, Ben Miller, Percy Hardy, Lizzie Rucius, Minnie Knechtel.			
Attendance.			
Standard 2.—Gay Rucius, Teddie Pope, Allan Fraser, Margaret McKenzie, Olive Jones, Harry Thomson, Kathleen Dickson, Jimmie Green.			
Progress in studies.			
Gay Rucius, Allan Fraser, Clara McMenomy, Ray Weir, Margaret McKenzie, Neil Duggan, Edith Patterson, Olive Jones, Harry Thomson, Gordon Douglas, Willie Howatson.			
Attendance.			
Standard 3.—Ruth Rucius, Jessie Hooton, Olive Wells, Mabel McMenomy, Daisy Bunker, Lilla Whittle, Gerrie Gray, Charlie McKenzie.			
Progress in studies.			
Jessie Hooton, Florence Deitz, Mabel McMenomy, Ruth Rucius, Helen Miller, Olive Wells, Lilla Whittle, Gerrie Gray, Clifford Bradshaw, Frank Hewitt, Mabel McMenomy, Clarence Whittlecock.			
Attendance.			
Standard 5.—Blanche Deaton, Justine Deaton, Arthur Deitz, Harry Heisel, May Miller, Jean MacClellan, Walter Rucius, Otto Roseller, Willie Sacher, Wynette Tuttle, Eric A. Weir, Mayfield Dixon.			
Progress in studies.			
Helen Hooton, Walter Rucius, Addie Goss, Jean MacClellan, Mary Miller, Harry Heisel.			

Mills, Willie Mc Kinson.

Progress in studies.

Winfield Scott, Thomas Ewing, Allan Smith, Jeanetta Reid, Beulah Swartz, Earl Kinsley, Gordon Crawford, Fred Mandle, Simon Brown.

Attendance.

Standard 2.—Howard Douglas, Edna Haas, Bertha Crawford, Allison McHenry, Willie Clark, Marion Laidlaw, Dan Varnum, Grace Duncan, Isobel Munro.

Progress in studies.

Henry Roth, Marjorie Clark, Edna Haas, Bertha Crawford, Howard Douglas, Willie Clark, Marion Laidlaw, Dan Varnum, Grace Duncan, Isobel Munro.

Attendance.

Standard 3.—Eva Dixon, Lillian Lendrum, Allison McHenry, Amy Melton, Margaret Boyce, Gerrie Gains, Chalmers MacKinnon, John Carmichael, Helen McLean.

Progress in studies.

Arthur Davies, Alex Smith, Allison McHenry, Vincent Roth, Stanley Alder, Frank Fowler, Roly Boyer, Norman McClellan, Harold Alka, Helma McLean, Harold Armstrong.

Attendance.

Standard 4.—Mary Burkholder, Lillie Shaw, Jessie Beaton, Gladys Powers, Cedric McLean, James Bell, Edgar Duncan D. R. Arant, Floyd Kelly, Minnie Chandler.

Progress in studies.

Lillie Shaw, James Bell, Laura Armstrong, Gladys Henderson, Jessie Beaton, Gladys Powers, Bert Crawford, Sam McLeod.

Attendance.

Standard 5.—James Murray, Margaret Rowley, Jack Kennedy.

Attendance.

WHY THEY COME.

The Canadian Courier recently published statistics showing the relative grain bearing characteristics of American States, commencing on the subject the Edmonton Bulletin says: "Why United States farmers of the Middle West sell out and trek to Canada may be briefly told in the following statistics of wheat production in 1905 the average production of fall wheat in the Prairie Provinces was 20.90 of spring wheat, 23.80 per acre; in 1906 fall wheat averaged 27.72 bushels per acre and spring wheat 26.02.

Last year the average production of five wheat growing States were:—

	Kans.	La.	Per acre
Minnesota	—	—	13.0
North Dakota	—	—	10.0
South Dakota	—	—	11.2
Nebraska	—	—	12.0
Iowa	—	—	12.8

It is interesting to note that men are willing to sell land which produces from 5 to 13 bushels of wheat at \$100 per acre and buy land that produces 20 bushels of wheat for \$10 per acre. This is the economic cause of the "American Invasion."

TWO DARING ASSASSINS.

New York, May 14.—In the midst of a crowd of passengers leaving the Sixth Avenue elevated railway station at Twenty-eighth street to-night, two daring assassins, waiting at the first landing on the stairway, sprang upon one of the descending passengers and stabbed him so severely that he died an hour later in Bellevue hospital. The assassins were quickly led to sight of those who attempted to follow them, after the first shock of surprise had passed.

SEATTLE POACHER CAUGHT.

Vancouver, B. C., May 14.—The Seattle halibut fishing steamer Francis Cutting was towed into harbor this morning by the Dominion government cruiser Kestrel. The Cutting is the largest of Seattle's fishing fleet which was caught fishing in Canadian waters to the north and will be sent to Seattle.

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"Snap" in boy's clothing at H. Wilson & Co.'s who have to vacate premises on account of fire at Dominion.

"Don't miss the big furniture sale at Crawford & Week's Saturday afternoon and evening. See ad in this paper.

The subject for the Epworth League meeting on Monday evening, which will be the union meeting of juniors is "Being a Christian at Home and in School." Everybody welcome.

"H. Wilson is going out of the boy's clothing business. He has Eaton skinned in prices.

Judge Tipton, chairman of the parks committee of the city council, to whom applications for the use of the fair grounds must be made, wishes all interested in lacrosse, baseball, football, cricket and other sports to meet him in the council chamber at 8 o'clock on Monday evening so that dates may be arranged to avoid clashing.

"Every boy wants a new suit for the 25th. See bargains at H. Wilson & Co., next door to the Dominion Hotel."

BOY KILLED AT BALL GAME.

Pittsburg, Pa., May 13. — Charles Le Bove, 6 years old, was seated at the edge of the diamond of the Bedford Avenue baseball park on Sunday afternoon watching a game between two amateur teams Ralph Motz, the pitcher of one of the nines, came to bat and knocked a foul with terrific speed directly against the boy.

Before the child could dodge the ball struck him on the back of the head and he fell over unconscious. In a moment Motz was over at his side. He picked up the child and ran with him to Passavant Hospital. The hospital is two miles from the park, but Motz ran every step.

Surgeons made a hasty examination and found the child's skull fractured. An operation was performed, and all the time Motz, still in his uniform sat outside the door of the operating room. Then the lad was placed in bed and Motz sat by his bedside until three o'clock on Monday afternoon when the child died.

Lost

LOST ON WHYTE AVE. between Main St. and Cameron shortly after three o'clock on Wednesday one heavy grey Robe.—Finder please return same to Chronicle office.

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